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Application of:

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Hiroyuki SEMBA et al.

Art Unit: 1742

Application No.: 10/829,274

Examiner: Sikyin Ip

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Attorney Dkt. No.: 12049-0016

For: AUSTENITIC STAINLESS STEEL

**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF IDS**

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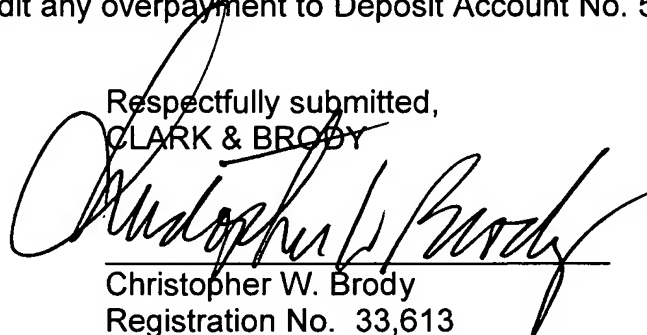
Sir:

Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement, International Search Report, PTO-1449 and (9) references on November 15, 2004 for which we received an acknowledgement by the Examiner in the Notice of Allowability with the exception of one reference. Document No. 9 listed on the original PTO-1449 (copy enclosed) was not made of record by the Examiner because the citation did not include the required date.

Hence, Applicants are resubmitting this reference, properly cited on a new PTO-1449, and request an acknowledgement from the Examiner that the cited reference has been considered and made of record. As this application has been allowed, and the Issue Fee is due to be paid by June 15, 2005, Applicants respectfully request acknowledgment of the filed Information Disclosure Statement as soon as possible.

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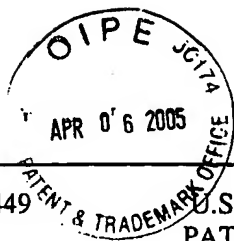
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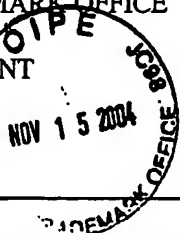
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